

Año Nuevo State Park

Cultural Resources



A view to the north from Quiroste Valley



19th Century painting of California Indians
(L. Choris 1816)



State Park Archaeologist Mark Hylkema discusses
cultural resources in the valley

Quiroste Valley Cultural Preserve

- A **225 acre** Cultural Preserve will be established in **Quiroste Valley**.
- A **Cultural Preserve** is an area within a State Park set aside for protecting significant sites and features that relate to places and events in the flow of human experiences in California.
- **Quiroste village** site dating from Middle Holocene (6700 - 3400 B.C.) to Spanish Contact (1769 A.D.)

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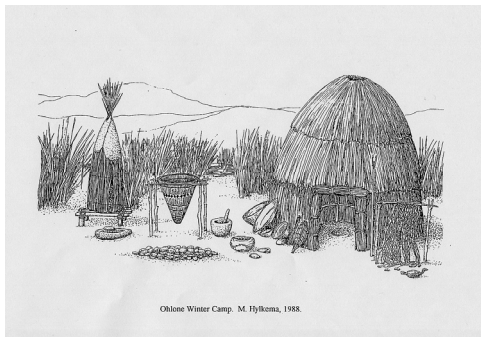
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The Spaniards March to Monterey
(W. Francis 1909)



Dance of the Indians at Mission San José
(Tilenau 1803)



Ohlone Winter Camp
(Hylkema 1988)

- Site of Quiroste Village
"CASA GRANDE"

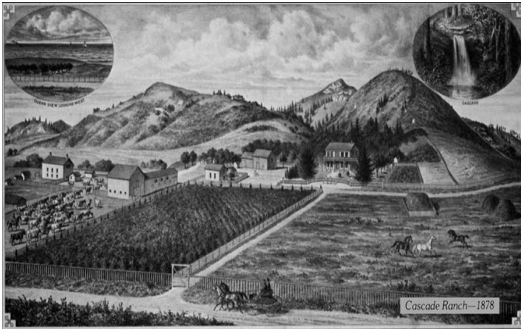
On October 23, 1769 the **Portolá Expedition** encountered a large Indian village in what is now Año Nuevo State Park:

" ... The land appeared pleasant; it was covered with pasture, and was not without firewood... The Indians advised by the scouts of our coming to their lands, received us with great affability and kindness, and, furthermore, presented us with seeds kneaded into thick pats...In the middle of the village there was a large house, spherical in form and very roomy; the other small houses, built in the form of a pyramid, had very little room, and were built of split pine wood. As the large house so much surpassed the others, the village was named after it..."
(Constansó, 1769)

- State Parks will continue to consult with **Amah-Mutsun** and **Muwekma** tribal groups in regards to plans and events in the Cultural Preserve.

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Historic Cascade Ranch
(Moore and Depew 1878)



Artichoke fields at Cascade Ranch 1940s



Steele-Humphrey House 2007

CASCADE RANCH

- One of the **Historic Steele Family Dairy Ranches** (1862-1919)
- **Humphrey** and **Rossi** families institute row crop agriculture and begin to grow **artichokes** and **Brussels sprouts** in the mid 1900s
- **California State Historic Landmark #906**
- **California State Parks**, in cooperation with **Cascade Ranch Historic Farm**, will preserve, protect and interpret the historic landscape values and character of the **Cascade Ranch**.